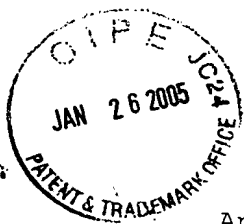


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Serial No. : 09/492,954 Examiner: J.A. Goldberg

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM
THE EXAMINER'S DECISION TO THE
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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board from the Final Office Action mailed July 21, 2004 finally rejecting pending claims 1, 2 and 6-8 in connection with the above-identified application.

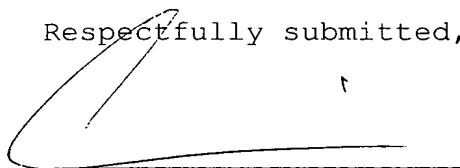
Applicants are concurrently filing a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time. With a three-month extension of time, the subject application is pending today, i.e. January 21, 2005. Accordingly, this Notice of Appeal is being timely filed.

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The required fee for filing a Notice of Appeal under 37 C.F.R. \$1.17(b) is TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00), and a check for this amount is enclosed.

No fee, other than the enclosed fee of \$250.00, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Notice of Appeal. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

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